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Attorney's Docket No. NOVLP050/NVLS-000682

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **METHOD OF FABRICATING LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT DIELECTRIC FILMS** the specification of which,

(check one)

1. is attached hereto.
2. was filed on _____ as
U.S. Application No. _____
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, CFR § 1.56.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

			Priority Benefits Claimed?
(Application No.)	(Country)	(Filing Date)	Yes ____ No ____
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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Power of Attorney

And I hereby appoint the law firm of Beyer Weaver & Thomas, LLP and all practitioners who are associated with the Customer Number 022434 as my principal attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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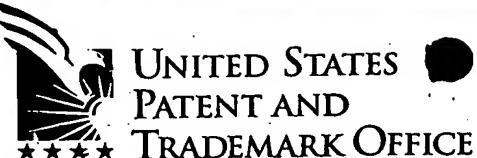
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DOC DATE: 05/04/2002

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 - b) Willibrordus Gerardus Maria van den Hoek
 - c) Robert H. Havemann
2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):
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Address: 3970 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95134

3. Nature of conveyance
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Execution Date:

- a) 5/5/02
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- c) 5/7/02

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METHOD OF FABRICATING LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT DIELECTRIC FILMS

5. Please send all correspondence concerning this (these) documents to:

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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

Whereas I an undersigned inventor have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

METHOD OF FABRICATING LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT DIELECTRIC FILMS

(Atty. Docket No. NOVLP050/NVLS-000682), (check one)

for which I have executed a U.S. patent application on even date herewith. (Accompanying)
 which bears U.S. application No. _____ (Not accompanying)
 which is a U.S. provisional application. (Accompanying)

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I an undersigned inventor hereby:

- 1) Sell, assign and transfer to Novellus Systems, Inc., a California corporation having a place of business at 3970 North First Street, San Jose, California 95134 ("ASSIGNEE"), the entire right, title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, applications based upon, and patents (including foreign patents and the right to claim priority) granted upon, the above-referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division, continuation, substitute, renewal, re-examination or reissue thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor, as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that I have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.
- 6) Authorize and request my attorney/agent to insert above the application No. in order to assist with recordal of this assignment.

Signed on the date indicated beside my signature.

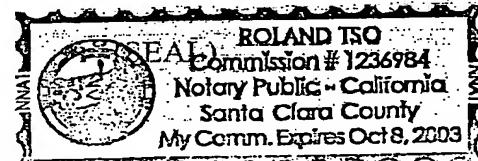
1. Inventor Signature: Richard S. Hill Date: 5/5/02
Richard S. Hill

State of California }
County of Santa Clara } ss.

On this 5 day of May, in the year 2002, before me, Roland Tso, Notary Public, personally appeared Richard Hill, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Signature TR



2. Inventor Signature: Wilibrordus Gerardus Maria van den Hoek
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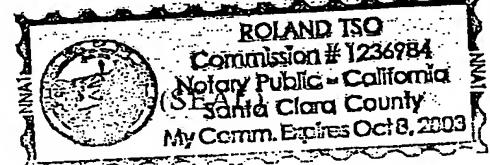
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Roland TSO, Notary Public personally appeared Wilbert van den Hoek, personally
known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is
subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in
his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the
entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Signature TSO



Date: 05/07/02

3. Inventor Signature: Robert H. Havemann
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State of California }
County of Santa Clara } ss.

On this 7 day of May, in the year 2002, before me,
Roland TSO, Notary Public, personally appeared Robert Havemann, personally
known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is
subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in
his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the
entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Signature TSO

